

THE WINNINGS OF A SMILE.

Mr. Morton's Immense Income and His Beautiful Home.

HIS FANCY FOR FINE STOCK.

A Nine-Hundred-Acre Farm Covered With Imported Cattle and Sheep—Mrs. Morton's Popularity—The Shoresham Place.

Morton's Every Day Life.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—I sat in the press gallery today and took a good look at Vice President Morton.

He is more regular in his attendance upon the sessions of the senate than any other president we have had for years, and he appreciates the dignity of the position. He sits in his big mahogany arm-chair as straight as a string, and he holds the white ivory tassel with his right hand in dignified angles. He is a fine-looking president.

Six feet high and with a scholarly stoop in his shoulders, his smooth-shaven, almost like face makes one think of the vice presidents at the beginning of our history. His hair, well combed and parted very near the middle, is iron gray. It is brushed well up from a broad and rather high forehead, and its style of dressing is much the same as that seen in the pictures of Thomas Jefferson.

President Morton looks very much like Jefferson, save that his complexion is brunet, while Jefferson's was blond, and his hair has been black while Jefferson's was red. The vice president's eyes are blue and when out of his chair and mingling in Washington society his face is one vast, substantial smile.

Mr. Morton is a man of a fine physique while he was making his fortune. He started life as a clerk in a country store and he smiled so pleasantly at his customers that at twenty he was able to go into business for himself. As twenty he could buy a horse for too small for him and he carried his smile into a commercial house at Boston.

He worked well and hard, and in a few years he had accumulated a fortune. He had made more since then and his money has not hardened his face. He has a smile that is paid him well as a young man has continued to pay him well as a statesman. It made him a successful minister to France, and it is making him one of the most popular statesmen at the capital.

In this, I think, the offering of his good nature rather than policy, and it is worth more to him than all his millions. He is not a man who worries and enables him to withstand the vexations of Washington and its society.

Mr. Morton is a good dresser. He does not skip his tailor and his coats are of the latest and most fashionable cuts. He wears a state-of-the-art frock coat, and his every day pantaloons are of a dark gray. His clothes seem to be part of him, and he is marked by a certain grace and ease at the white house and in Washington drawing rooms.

He has added much to his popularity by the series of magnificent entertainments which he has given and is giving in Washington, and he does not let the income from his seven-million-dollar estate, which he spends as well as makes, and he has a large number of men in his employ. Vice President Morton is a man of affairs as well as a man of society.

He carries on an immense business in addition to the work he does here in Washington, and there are few men in the country who can do so much without appearing to do so. There is hardly a more important property in the country than the one which he has picked up to keep one man busy, and he has a stock farm in addition to being a statesman and leader and a member of the senate, at the white house and in Washington drawing rooms.

THE SHORESHAM PLACE.

PEPPERMINT DROPS.

THOUGHTS IN LIGHTER VEIN.

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